

Juvenile Justice Figure Memorialized at JCC–Nampa September 10, 2009

Dennis “Denny” Maloney was an innovator in juvenile justice from Bend, Oregon with over 30 years of experience in the corrections field. He wrote two books and many articles on the Balanced Approach to Juvenile Justice. Many states, including Idaho, revamped their juvenile justice systems based on his work. The U.S. Department of State has distributed his writings to over 250 countries and his work is now being utilized worldwide as a foundation for justice system reform. In March of 2004, Mr. Maloney addressed the House of Lords in London, England on justice reform strategies for the United Kingdom. Mr. Maloney died in 2007 at age 55.



The Idaho Juvenile Justice Commission and Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections gathered at the Juvenile Corrections Center in Nampa on September 10, 2009 to dedicate a living memorial in honor of Denny, his passion and commitment for juveniles, and the positive influence his work has had in Idaho. A tree has been planted on the grounds of JCC–Nampa, alongside a plaque, which will serve to remind us of Mr. Maloney’s contributions to Idaho’s Juvenile Justice system for many years to come and to hopefully pique the curiosity of passersby who by wondering and asking will, also, help keep his memory alive.

Judge John F. Varin presided over ceremony followed by comments Sharon Harrigfeld, who was also a brief reception was held at the facility followed by a panel of juveniles who convened to answer questions from Commission members.



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